

U. S. LABOR BIASED, G. B. SHAW WRITES

Should Hear All Sides, Especially Government Spokesmen, He Warns

DROPS CHICAGO INVITATION

By the Associated Press
Chicago, Sept. 1.—George Bernard Shaw, British author and playwright, has declined an invitation to address the Chicago Federation of Labor picnic on Labor Day, it became known yesterday.

"I do not think your Federation can gather a complete notion of European conditions from any one person," Mr. Shaw wrote. "If you could attend a series of three addresses from Keren-sky, Lenin and from a capable Czarist you would learn something about Russia."

"If you could get a similar series from England from Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, as a representative of the Second Internationale, and from some equally able advocate of the Third In-

ternationale, followed by Mr. Winston Churchill as the representative of the British imperialism, and by Sir Donald D. Maclean as a Liberal Non-Interventionist (or George Washingtonian) and so on through all the countries of Europe, hearing all sides, and especially the side of the existing governing classes, which labor misunderstands and leaves contemptuously out of count, unless it is suddenly carried away by it into a war, then labor would begin to know its way about in questions of foreign and military policy.

"At present it is so ignorant, and consequently so helpless when a crisis comes, that nothing is easier for a Government threatened with labor legislation than to set the workers of the world to cutting one another's throats furiously, and to make a great deal of money out of the process into the bargain."

"No address that I or any other single man could deliver would make much difference in this respect. An address from Marshal Foch would be far more instructive, because three-quarters of the labor men who are now denouncing him would find that they liked him very well and heartily agreed with everything he said."

Slayers' Plot to Escape Foiled
Chicago, Sept. 1.—An alleged attempt by a "trust" in the county jail to free Gene Geary, Carl Wanderer and Frank Ligert, under sentence of death, was revealed yesterday after jail authorities discovered a partly completed tunnel through one of the jail walls.

CALLS DOUBLE LIFE HUSBAND'S IDEAL

Mrs. Reeve Says Doctor Favored Apartment for Wife, Another for Affinity

WINS SUIT FOR DAUGHTER

New York, Sept. 1.—Mrs. Oscar Charles Reeve, daughter of Charles Fisher, Tax Collector of Ossining, former grand opera star and protégée of Mme. Lillian Nordica, won a final victory yesterday in a series of sensational court proceedings for the possession of her eight-year-old daughter, Delora, when a decision was filed in the County Clerk's office in Westchester by Justice Tompkins awarding her the custody of the child.

In his decision Justice Tompkins has directed the father, Dr. Oscar Reeve, well-known New York physician, now an assistant at the New Jersey State Hospital, Morris Plains, to pay \$8 a week for his daughter's support. He is permitted to visit the child on

Sundays only, at his father-in-law's home in Ossining, where Mrs. Reeve is living.

Mrs. Reeve testified that incompatibility manifested itself two years ago, following her husband's declaration of belief in the following matrimonial philosophy:

"If a man is half a man, he has an apartment for his wife and another for his affinity."

In February Mrs. Reeve brought proceedings in White Plains before Justice Young on a writ of habeas corpus for custody of her daughter. Asked by Justice Young what he would do with the child if he were awarded custody, Dr. Reeve replied that he would return with the child to California, build a double house and permit his wife to live in one side while he resided on the other, dividing the little girl's care.

He said that the word "fond" hardly expressed his emotion for his wife. He respected her and pitied her, he said because her nervous temperament made it improper for her to have the custody of her daughter.

Witnesses for Mrs. Reeve told the court of the doctor's amorous conduct with various young women. It was testified that he had been seen in the company of "many pretty girls" at various times

within five years in Morningside Park and on the Columbia University campus. The doctor was said to have "sat very close" to the pretty girls. Another witness for Mrs. Reeve, who said she wore rubber heels, testified that she had come upon the doctor "hugging different girls."

HOLD UP INTERURBAN CAR

Bandits Force Motorman to Pass Hat Among Passengers
Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 1.—(By A. P.)—Two armed highwaymen secured loot valued at several hundred dollars late last night, when they held up a Buffalo, Lockport and Rochester interurban car and robbed the trainmen and fifteen passengers. After the motorman, Charles Jansen, removed a red lantern on the tracks at a crossing a revolver was stuck in his back by a highwayman, who forced him to pass a hat among the passengers. The bandit later robbed the motorman and conductor, Edward Moynihan, and fled in an automobile. There were fifteen passengers, among them three women. One of the men saved \$300 by dropping it on the floor.

WOULD DISCARD CORSETS

Lack of Steel Supports Good Substitute for Medicine, Doctor Says
Chicago, Sept. 1.—Dr. Katherine Corcoran, medical director of the Women's Catholic Order of Foresters, speaking before the National Fraternal Congress yesterday, said the discarding of corsets by women had made them better insurance risks. In going without the steel supports, Dr. Corcoran said, women are developing muscular activity and endurance almost equal to that of men.

"Going without corsets is a good substitute for the old-time medicine bottle," she said.

One of Chicago's largest wholesale clothing houses for men yesterday extensively advertised knickerbockers for women for general wear. The advertisement pointed out the desirability of knickerbockers for business and street wear.

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